

F-6-114
Thomas Jones House

Ca. 1850

Johnsville, Maryland

Private

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HISTORIC CONTEXT:

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization: Piedmont
(Harford, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Howard, Montgomery
Counties, and Baltimore City)

Chronological/Development Period:
Agricultural/Industrial Transition 1815-1870 A.D.

Prehistoric/Historic Period Themes:
Architecture, Landscape Architecture, Community Planning

Resource Type:
Category: Building

Environment: Rural

Function & Use: Domestic/single dwelling/residence

Known Design Source: None

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State Historic Sites Inventory Form**

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DOE yes x no**1. Name** (indicate preferred name)

historic Thomas Jones House

and/or common

2. Location

street & number 11720 Houck Road

 not for publication

city, town Johnsville

 x vicinity of

congressional district 6th

state Maryland

county Frederick

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<u> </u> district	<u> </u> public	<u> </u> x occupied	<u> </u> agriculture
<u> </u> x building(s)	<u> </u> x private	<u> </u> unoccupied	<u> </u> commercial
<u> </u> structure	<u> </u> both	<u> </u> work in progress	<u> </u> educational
<u> </u> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<u> </u> x private residence
<u> </u> object	<u> </u> in process	<u> </u> x yes: restricted	<u> </u> entertainment
	<u> </u> being considered	<u> </u> yes: unrestricted	<u> </u> government
	<u> </u> x not applicable	<u> </u> no	<u> </u> industrial
			<u> </u> military
			<u> </u> museum
			<u> </u> park
			<u> </u> religious
			<u> </u> scientific
			<u> </u> transportation
			<u> </u> other:

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Isaac A. Sayler

street & number 12154 Green Valley Road

telephone no.:

city, town Union Bridge

state and zip code MD 21791

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Frederick County Courthouse

liber 857

street & number 100 W. Patrick St.

folio 493

city, town Frederick,

state MD 21701

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date

 federal state county local

depository for survey records

city, town

state

7. Description

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Condition

☐ excellent

☒ good

☐ fair

☐ deteriorated

☐ ruins

☐ unexposed

Check one

☐ unaltered

☒ altered

Check one

☒ original site

☐ moved

date of move

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

Contributing Resource Count: 5

(Typed on separate sheet)

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400–1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500–1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600–1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700–1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800–1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900–	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates Ca. 1850 **Builder/Architect**

check: Applicable Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D
and/or

Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☒ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

(Typed on separate sheet)

9. Major Bibliographical References

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Bond, Isaac, Map of Frederick County, 1858
Titus, C.O., Atlas of Frederick County, 1873

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name Union Bridge, MarylandQuadrangle scale 1:24000

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

A

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Zone Easting Northing

B

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Zone Easting Northing

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Verbal boundary description and justification

Concurrent with Tax Map 35, Parcel 79

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
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state	code	county	code
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11. Form Prepared By

name/title Janet L. Davis, Historic Sites Surveyororganization Frederick County Planning & Zoning Dept date June, 1991street & number 12 E. Church St. telephone 301-696-2958city or town Frederick, state MD 21701

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

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7.1 Description

The Thomas Jones House is a two-story frame vernacular house with a possible log structure within its walls located on the west side of Houck Road about 1/2 mile south of the Beaver Dam Road intersection near Johnsville, Maryland. The house may date from about 1850 and has german siding under its present composition siding. The principal elevation faces east with a one-story porch and an exterior stone and brick chimney rises on the north elevations.

The main elevation has two bays with the entrance in the north bay. An extra window opening has been inserted adjoining the door on the south. The window and door surrounds have beaded architrave trim. The sash is 2/2. The porch columns are turned and spindle brackets decorate the columns. The composition roof has a box cornice. A bulkhead projects from the south elevation. A two-story rear ell of small proportions extends from the southwest corner. A one-story porch enclosure fills the angle between the ell and the main section. A further shed addition is located on the north elevation between the exterior chimney base and the house wall near the front porch.

Three frame chicken houses with composition siding and corrugated shed roofs are located west of the house. A gable-roofed frame shed with sheet metal roof and composition siding is also in the domestic outbuilding group.

Immediately north of the Jones House and on the same parcel is the Mountain View School (F-8-113), a circa 1840 stone schoolhouse. It is not currently in use.

The Jones House is currently occupied by tenants, Mr. & Mrs. H.P. Eyler.

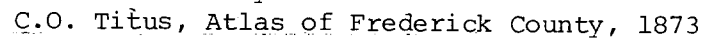
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Many dwellings of the small vernacular house type exist in Frederick County. The Jones House is a good representative because of its lack of major alterations, while illustrating a number of the typical changes made to dwellings over many years, including modern roofing and siding, porch enclosures, and a rebuilt chimney stack.

The Thomas Jones House may be associated with a blacksmith shop shown on the 1858 and 1873 maps located immediately south of the house. It no longer exists and little information has been discovered about Jones.

Scale 2 Inches to the Mile





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Photo: Janet Davis

June 1991

Neg. loc.: Md. SHPO, Crownsville, Md

Southeast corner view

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West elevation

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Chicken House and outbuildings, view from
southeast

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